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President Susan Hatcher #58143

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In Memoriam

James J. O'Connell #58143

1st US JCI Senate President

US JCI Senate



From President Susan:

Today we learned of the passing of our 1st US JCI Senate National President serving 1972-1973 – **James J. O'Connell #5046** and are deeply saddened by this loss; yet, we are grateful for his service as a pioneer and ambassador for our organization throughout the past 50 years. Senator Jim also served as the first President of the Illinois JCI Senate. Past National President Jim passed away July 22. Our deepest sympathy to his wife, Phyllis and his family and friends.

Cards can be sent to his wife, Phyllis, at:
322 E Loucks Street
Sheridan, WY 82801
Obituary information is available [HERE](#).

As you read Past President's Jim's obituary, he led a full varied life of experiences with enthusiasm of those beliefs in our creed. His first Mentors article was written with that

same tone of enthusiasm as the first leader of our organization and his legacy will continue with each of us as we “Experience the Senate” this year.

A life well lived for which we are most grateful to Past President Jim for his leadership! Past President Jim will be missed. May he Rest in Peace.

“Because life is fragile and death inevitable, we must make the most of each day” –
Thomas S. Monson

We believe:

That faith in God gives meaning and purpose to human life;

That the brotherhood of man transcends the sovereignty of nations;

That economic justice can best be won by free men through free enterprise;

That government should be of laws rather than of men;

That earth's great treasure lies in human personality;

And that service to humanity is the

best work of life.

- C William Brownfield #197
